

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **ROBIN LYNN  
ALMES, ET AL.**

Serial No.: **10/823,981**

Filed: **14 APRIL 2004**

For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
CHARGE-BALANCED,  
CONTINUOUS-WRITE MASK AND  
WAFER PROCESS FOR IMPROVED  
COLINEARITY**

§ Attorney Docket No. **HSJ920040029US1**

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§ Examiner: **SUCHIN PARIHAR**

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§ Confirmation No.: **5316**

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§ Art Unit: **2825**

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**AMENDMENT A**

MAIL STOP – Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Mr. Parihar:

This Amendment is submitted in response to Office Action dated August 22, 2006, with a shortened statutory period ending on October 22, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**CERTIFICATE OF EFS-Web FILING**

I hereby certify that this paper is being submitted via the PTO Electronic Filing System to Addressee on the date indicated below and is addressed to Commissioner for Patents – Non-Fee Amendments, Attn: Examiner Suchin Parihar, Art Unit 2825.

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